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SUBJECT: U. S. TAX PROPOSALS ON FOREIGN SOURCE INCOME.

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- 1. ARTICLE IN APRIL 17 TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL BY BUSINESS COLUMNIST RONALD ANDERSON STATES THAT US "PROPOSAL TO TAX US CORPORATIONS THAT BUILD SO- CALLED RUNAWAY PLANTS IN CANADA IS A SAD LITTLE COMMENTARY ON TRADE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES." WHILE NOTING DETAILS OF PROPOSALS ARE OBSCURE, ANDERSON SAID THAT IN ELECTRONIC DIALOGUE WITH CANADIANS APRIL 13, WHITE HOUSE ADVISER PETER FLANIGAN INDICATED THAT "MR. NIXON SEEKING AUTHORITY TO LEVY SEPARATE TAX ON COMPANIES THAT SET UP SUBSIDIARIES HERE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PROPOSED REDUCTION IN CANADIAN CORPORATE TAX RATES".
- 2. ANDERSON SAID THAT PROPOSED TAX WOULD APPLY IF 25 PERCENT OR MORE OF THE SUBSIDIARY'S OUTPUT WAS EXPORTED TO THE US AND THAT IT CLEAR FROM FLANIGAN'S REMARKS THAT "WASHINGTON IS PARTICULARLY MINDFUL OF GOC INTENTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE FOR MANUFACTURERS AND PROCESSORS TO 40 PERCENT FROM 49 PERCENT". ACCORDING ANDERSON, TAX WOULD BE "A CALCULATED RESPONSE TO CANADIAN INITIATIVE WHICH WAS ITSELF A REACTION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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3. ANDERSON CONCLUDES " IT UNCLEAR HOW WASHINGTON PROPOSES CALCULATE CANADIAN CORPORATE TAX THAT WOULD BE USED IN COM

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